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Docket No.: 5029.1006  
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In re application of: Rainer BICKER, ~~SENIOR~~  
Serial No.: 10/786,492  
Filed: February 25, 2004  
For: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR DETERMINING SURFACE TENSION USING THE BUBBLE PRESSURE METHOD

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a **Request for Continued Examination** (1 page) in the above-identified application.

- ☐ Small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been previously established.  
☐ Applicants assert small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27.  
☒ No fee for additional claims is required.  
☐ A filing fee for additional claims calculated as shown below, is required:

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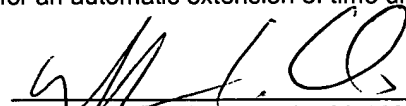
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- ☒ Also transmitted herewith are:  
☐ Petition for extension under 37 C.F.R. 1.136  
☒ Other: **Information Disclosure Statement with PTO-1449 (3 pages) and copies of cited references; Certified Copy of German Priority Document DE 103 08 198.4, filed February 25, 2003**

- ☒ Check(s) in the amount of **\$790** is/are attached to cover:  
☐ Filing fee for additional claims under 37 C.F.R. 1.16  
☐ Petition fee for extension under 37 C.F.R. 1.136  
☒ Other: **Fee for Request for Continued Examination**

- ☒ The Assistant Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0552.

- ☒ Any filing fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 for the presentation of additional claims which are not paid by check submitted herewith.  
☒ Any patent application processing fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.17.  
☒ Any petition fees for extension under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 which are not paid by check submitted herewith, and it is hereby requested that this be a petition for an automatic extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136.

  
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